



## **PROCLAMATION**



WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women with Native American and African-American men having the lowest life expectancy; and

WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems could result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and

WHEREAS, men who are educated about the value that preventative health can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings; and

WHEREAS, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop a national men's health awareness campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Month website features information about awareness events and activities; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and

WHEREAS, all the citizens of Idaho Falls are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

THEREFORE, I, REBECCA CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim the month of June as

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in Idaho Falls and encourage citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this  $14^{th}$  day of May, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor

City of Idaho Falls